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**From:** Betz, Patrice [patrice\_betz@fws.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/2/2019 2:25:00 PM  
**To:** susan\_king@ios.doi.gov  
**CC:** Adams, Adam [Adams.Adam@epa.gov]; Denise Ruffino [denise\_ruffino@fws.gov]; Jimmy Laurent [jimmy\_laurent@fws.gov]; Brigitte Firmin [brigitte\_firmin@fws.gov]  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] FW: Pollution Report # (Initial)1 South 4 Group Fire - Initial

Good morning everyone,

I hope you all had a good Thanksgiving despite the incident. Adam and Susan, thank you for keeping us in the loop over the holiday. I was glad to hear there's been no impact to the Neches River or Sabine Lake, or potentially to our refuge in Louisiana across the lake from Port Neches. It sounds like the situation is under control.

Thanks again for your diligence in keeping all of us updated, even through the holiday weekend!

Patrice

On Thu, Nov 28, 2019 at 2:50 PM King, Susan <susan\_king@ios.doi.gov> wrote:  
Adam,

Thanks for your email and polrep. We (myself and Texas and Louisiana FWS folks, cc'd), have been tracking the incident and response via TPWD, the Region 6 watch line, and Responselink postings. I had been messaging with Denise Ruffino this morning and was planning to send you an email for an update- and when I went to write it, there was your email in my mailbox!

NOAA posted a fate and effects model to Responselink which they ran in case there is runoff or wastewater discharge to the river or other natural water body, If these occur (though effects unlikely giving product volatility and low concentrations), if you could keep us in the loop for situational awareness, we'd appreciate it. Thanks again,

Susan

On Thu, Nov 28, 2019 at 1:03 PM Adams, Adam <Adams.Adam@epa.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon Susan,

Hope you are doing well and having a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday.

Just sending some details about this incident that occurred on Wednesday, November 27, 2019 at approximately 1 am.

The website for additional information is [www.epa.response.gov/south4groupfire](http://www.epa.response.gov/south4groupfire).

As of this morning, there's been no report of off-site impact to the downstream Neches River waterway. Primary release has been emissions, which have shown non detect in the down wind community by land air monitoring teams by EPA, TCEQ, and TPC nor EPA's ASPECT overflights.

If you have any comments or concerns, please do not hesitate.

Very Respectfully,

Adam

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This POLREP has been finalized.

Attached is a Pollution Report (POLREP) regarding:

USEPA Region VI  
South 4 Group Fire  
2102 Spur 136, Port Neches, TX

To view this POLREP, please open the attachment.

For additional information regarding this site,  
please visit the website by clicking on this link:  
<http://response.epa.gov/south4groupfire>

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